IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-25 (Cancelled)

26. (Currently Amended) A method of manufacturing a liquid crystal display device comprising a first substrate, a second transparent second substrate, and a liquid crystal layer and a color filter layer sandwiched between said first and second substrates, comprising the steps of:

forming a protection layer on said first substrate;

forming said color filter layer on said ~~first substrate~~protection layer;

forming said liquid crystal layer between said color filter and said second substrate;

forming, between said first substrate and said color filter layer, plural scan signal electrodes, plural video signal electrodes crossing said scan signal electrodes in a matrix form, and plural thin film transistors in association with the crossing points between said scan signal electrodes and said video signal electrodes;

forming at least one pixel in each of areas surrounded by said plural scan signal electrodes and said plural video signal electrodes;

forming, in each pixel, a common electrode which is connected over plural pixels through a common electrode wire to supply reference potential, and a pixel electrode which is connected to the corresponding thin film transistor and disposed so as to confront said common electrode in said pixel area;

disposing said common electrode and said pixel electrode between said color filter layer and said liquid crystal layer, and disposing said common electrode and said

pixel electrode in different layers through an interlayer separation film formed of transparent insulating material;

forming liquid crystal so as to be oriented substantially vertically to said first substrate when no voltage is applied across said common electrode and said pixel electrode; ~~and~~

forming vertical orientation films on both surface of said liquid crystal layer; and

forming an optically negative compensation film and an optically positive compensation film between said first or second substrate and a polarizing plate, and forming, by light irradiation, pretilt angles in two directions in which liquid crystal molecules are felled when a voltage is applied to said compensation films.

27. (Cancelled)

Claims 28-41 (Withdrawn)

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42. (Previously Added) The method as claimed in claim 26, further comprising the step of forming an optically negative compensation film and an optically positive compensation film between said first or second substrate and a polarizing plate, and forming, by a rubbing method, pretilt angles along two directions in which liquid crystal molecules are felled when a voltage is applied to said vertical orientation films.

43. (Previously Added) The method as claimed in claim 26, further comprising the step of forming an optically negative compensation film and an optically positive

compensation film between said first or second substrate and a polarizing plate, and

forming, by a rubbing method, a pretilt angle in any one of directions in which liquid crystal molecules are felled when a voltage is applied to said vertical compensation films.

44. (Previously Added) The method as claimed in claim 26, further comprising the step of adding an organic material comprising monomers or olygomers into said liquid crystal, injecting said liquid crystal into the gap between said first substrate and said second substrate, and then polymerizing said organic material in said liquid crystal.